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Technology
Demonstration



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Hypersonic Cruise Vehicle

**Prompt global reach** 

#### Small Launch Vehicle

Operationally responsive and affordable spacelift

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#### PROGRAM GOAL

Develop and Validate, In-flight,
Technologies that will Enable Both Nearterm and Far-term Capabilities to Execute
Prompt Global Strike Missions while at the
Same Time, Demonstrating Affordable and
Responsive Space Lift

#### HYPERSONIC FORCE APPLICATION AND LAUNCH TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION



## FALCON Program Advances Technology Necessary for Prompt Global Strike Capability

Prompt Global Strike (PGS) Requirements

➤ Strike globally and rapidly with joint forces against

Strike globally and rapidly with joint forces against high-payoff targets

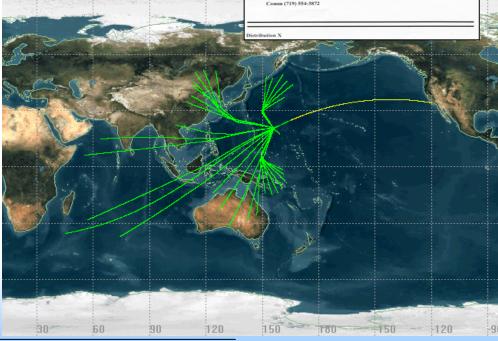
➤In a timeframe reduced from weeks/days to hours/minutes

➤ Even when no permanent military presence or only limited infrastructure is in a region

> Regardless of anti-access threats

➤In a single or multi-theater environment





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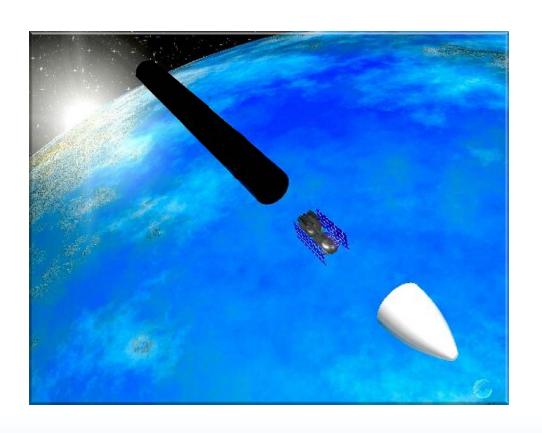
Mission Need Statement

Prompt Global Strike



#### SMALL SATELLITE LAUNCH





# Operationally Responsive Spacelift Capability

- » Small ISR payloads to Sun Synchronous Orbits
- » Low Recurring LaunchCost
- » New Launch OperationsParadigm



#### FALCON Hypersonic Technology Program will Achieve Near and Far Term PGS Objectives



#### **Near Term Operational System**

Common Aero Vehicle (CAV) and Small **Launch Vehicle (SLV) System Capability:** 

- ➤ High Endurance CAV
  - Multiple payloads
  - **Multiple munitions**
- > Operationally responsive booster
- **≻Global range**
- >Extended cross range

#### **FAR Term Operational System**

**Hypersonic Cruise Vehicle (HCV) System** Capability:

- **→ High Lift/Drag Configuration**
- Multiple use payload bays
- Global down and cross range
- > Aircraft operations
  - Reusable
  - Recallable
  - Launch on demand





#### Common Aero Vehicle (CAV)







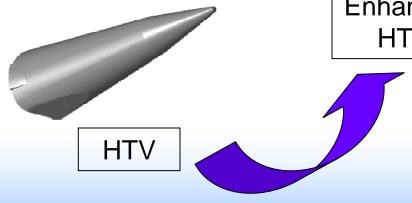
#### HYPERSONIC TECHNOLOGY EVOLUTION



#### **Building Block Tech Development and Flight Demo Approach**

(Consistent with National Aerospace Initiative Philosophy)

- CAV-to-HCV Demonstrator Design Evolution
- Multiple Opportunities to Flight Test Advanced Technologies
- Build Knowledge Base for Flight Demonstration Approach
  - Launch Site
  - Launch Ops
  - Flight Ops



Enhanced HTV

> Allows for Early Flight Demonstrations

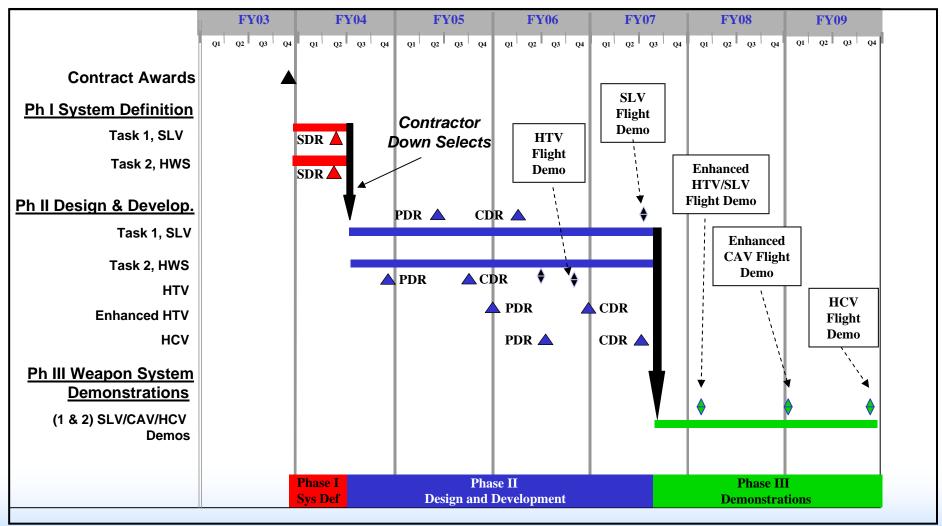
**HCV** 

Provides MultipleOpportunities forAcquisition Off-ramps



#### PROGRAM SCHEDULE









# FALCON Program Team Built on National Capability







#### **Phase 1 Output Summary**

Phase I

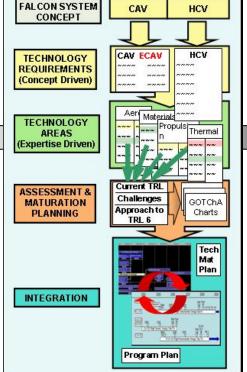
Phases II and III FALCON

**Breakthrough HWS Operational System** 

**ECAV-OS** 

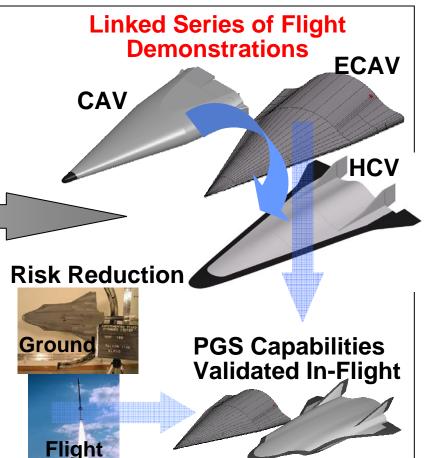


**HCV-OS** 



Integrated Technology

**Maturation Plan** 



Our in-flight demonstration program enables adoption of hypersonic prompt global strike solutions by the warfighter



### FALCON CAV Operational System Meets Near Term Prompt Global Strike Objectives



#### Small Launch Vehicle System



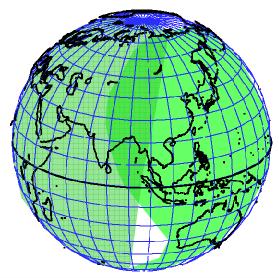
**Multiple Payload Carriage** 

High Lift/Drag
Advanced GN&C and
Communications



**Enables CAV Global Reach from CONUS** 

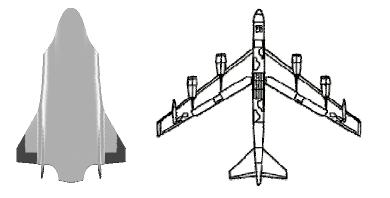




Terminate and Re-target Capability

Operation CAV/SLV System provides the warfighter with transformational prompt, precision worldwide strike capability from CONUS





**B-52 Size and Weight Class** 

#### **Technology Advances Required for:**

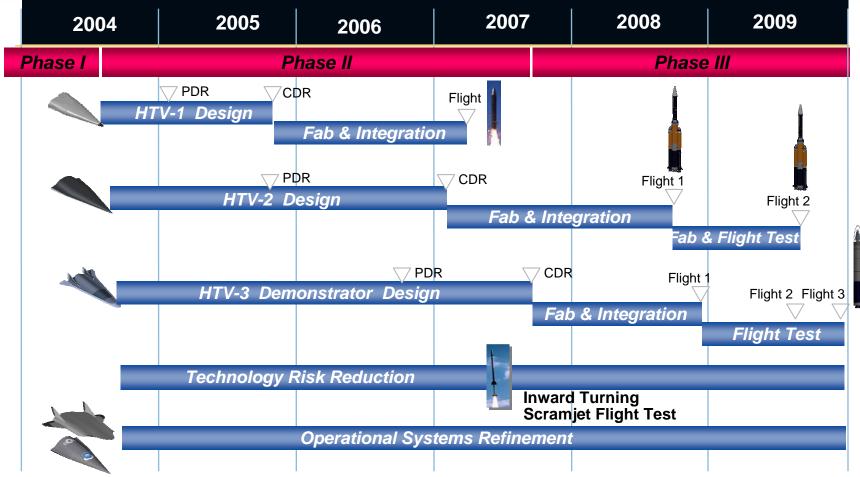
- ➤ Aerodynamic Vehicle Design
- **▶Inward Turning Propulsion System** Integration
- **▶** Passive Small Radius Leading **Edges**
- ➤ Metallic Encapsulated Thermal **Protection System**
- >Hot and Warm Structure **Technologies**
- **➢Internal Cryogenic Insulation**
- >Conformal Tanks
- ➤ Mixed Phase Hydrogen Pumps

FALCON HCV can strike the depth of any adversaries territory at a size and cost acceptable to the warfighter



# FALCON Program Will Demonstrate Operational System Enabling Technologies





Three Distinct Hypersonic Technology Vehicles (HTV) Focus
Technology Maturation in a Building Block Approach



#### FALCON Phase II & III Demonstrates PGS Technology in Building Block Flight Demo's

Low Risk, Ready For Design

Revise Aero Shell. Thermal Insulation, and GN&C Subsystems

Revise Aero Shell, Internal Structure, Reusable Thermal

**Protection Systems** 

HTV-1

**GFE Booster** Launched

**Validates** 

**CAV System and Subsystem Technologies** In Flight



HTV-2

SLV Launched

**Validates** 

All Enabling **ECAV-OS Technologies** In Flight

HTV-3

**SLV Core** Launched

**Validates** 

**Enabling HCV-OS** Aerodynamic & **Structures Technologies** In Flight

**Inward Turning Engine Flight Demonstration Validates Enabling HCV-OS Propulsion Technologies in Flight** 

> FALCON's evolutionary, spiral development flight demonstrator approach reduces technology validation cost and risk



#### HTV-1 Demonstration System Summary











**Aft Cover** 

HTV-1 uses state-of-the-art materials and components to reduce overall program risk and demonstrate today's Common Aero Vehicle hypersonic technology capability



**IR&D Aeroshell** 



samples

**Antenna Window** 



ESIGI



Encoder



Antenna

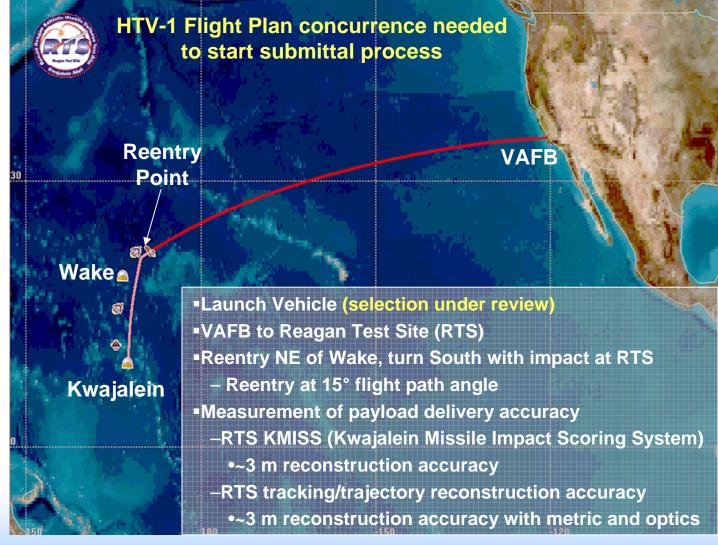


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### HTV-1 Flight Plan Vandenberg AFB to Kwajalein via Wake Is.







#### **HTV-2 Objectives**



#### Reference Trajectory

East launch, 28.5° latitude, VE = 23,500 ft/sec, hE = 350 kft

#### **Key Objectives**

- ➤Payload ~ 1000 lbs (TBD)
- **>Gross weight = 2000 lbs**
- **≻Downrange = 9000 nm**
- ➤ Crossrange = 3000 nm
- >Accuracy = 3 m CEP
- **≻Global coverage**
- Recallable and re-targeting capability

#### **Additional Objectives**

- ➤Impact velocity ~4 kfps (TBD)
- ➤ All-azimuth terminal maneuver capability
- ➤ Carriage & high-speed dispensing of payloads (TBD)
- ➤ Minimize collateral damage

HTV-2 meets all objectives to provide flexible global capabilities



#### HTV-2 Demonstration System Summary



- Thermal protection
  - Low recession carbon-carbon aeroshell
  - Advanced Multi-Layer Insulation for long duration reentry flight
- Aerodynamic performance
  - Extended range through high L/D
  - Sharp Leading Edge Design
- NG&C performance
  - Significant maneuverability required for terminal impact

- Communications
  - Maintain up/downlink throughout long-range flight

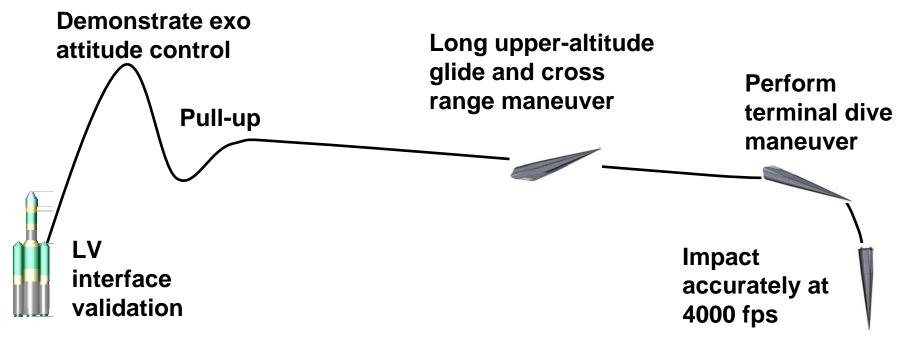
HTV-2 Demonstrates Enabling Hypersonic Technologies for future Common Aero Vehicle Operational System

HTV-2



#### HTV-2 Flight-Test Profile





#### Other objectives

- Maintain flight safety throughout
- GPS acquisition during boost phase
- Command/telemetry link throughout mission
- Objectives for 1<sup>st</sup> flight shown
- 2<sup>nd</sup> flight options
- repeat 1<sup>st</sup> with equipment updates
- perform payload dispensing demonstration

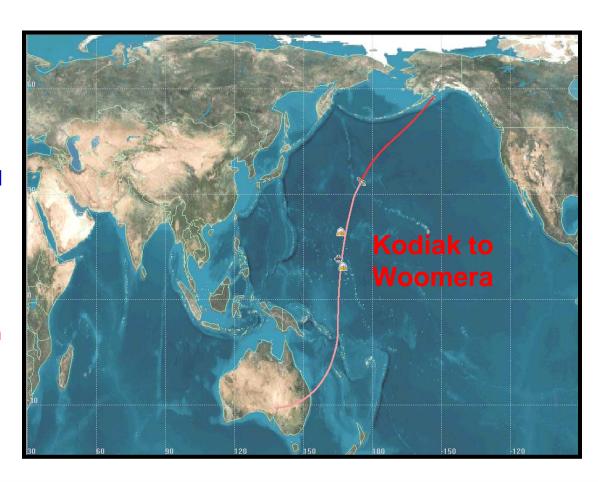
Our flight profile demonstrates all important performance attributes



#### Proposed HTV-2 Flight Plan



- SLV launch to reentry at 23,000 fps and 5° path angle
- Kodiak to Woomera (6200 nm) via Wake and Kwajalein
- Continuous tracking and telemetry use extended mobile range, AFSCN and MILSATCOM assets
- Overflight of populated Australian east coast
  - Flight crosses coast >100 kft altitude
  - Controlled Flight Termination available
- Terminal phase tracking available from Woomera



HTV-2 flight plan provides long-duration test environments



#### ECAV-OS Weight Traceability



	Weight (lbm)		Reduction Plan	
		os	Reduction Flan	
Payload		960	Customer Provided	
Heatshield		400	Analysis refinement	
Insulation		90	Analysis refinement	
Structure		240	Analysis – g load reduction	
Electronics		85	Actuator/battery refinement	
Ballast		225	Structure/HS reduction, CG movement/aero refinement	
Total		2000		

#### Roadmap defined to achieve 2000 lb ECAV-OS mass



#### HTV-3 Demonstration System Summary



- Thermal Protection System (TPS)
  - TPS/Structure demonstrate capability for HCV-OS environment
- Aerodynamic performance
  - Shaped to demonstrate high aerodynamics, aerothermodynamics and flight control of HCV-OS
- Maximize Reuse
  - Multiple flight tests demonstrate system reusability/TPS refurbishment
- Builds upon HTV-1 and HTV-2 technologies
  - Technology risks minimized while payoff is maximized

HTV-3 Demonstrates Enabling Hypersonic Technologies for future Hypersonic Cruise Vehicle Operational System



#### HTV-3 Design & Capabilities



#### HCV-OS primary objectives trace to HTV-DS design capabilities

Mission Requirement	OS Design Objective	DS Verification Compliance		
Global Reach 9000nm in 2 hours	➤ Mission performance via high L/D osculating flowfield waverider configuration	➤ Shaped to demonstrate high L/D wave-rider osculating flowfield aerodynamics, aerothermodynamics, flight control		
	➤ High tolerance to thermal environment	➤ Demonstrate enabling TPS / structural technologies in OS flight environment		
Aircraft-like operations	➤ Reusability with rapid 12 hr turnaround and minimum maintenance	➤ Perform multiple flight tests, demonstrating system reusability / TPS refurbishment		

#### Demonstrate Key Enabling Technologies

Osculating Flowfield Waverider shape
4000°F class passive TPS
3000°F class passive TPS
Lightweight acreage passive TPS
'Warm' structure-tankage-TPS integration



Low Risk Demo

**HCV-OS** 

HTV-3 is directly traceable to HCV-OS to mitigate risk of key enabling technologies



#### FALCON Materials IPT



- ➤ Materials IPT (MIPT) focusing on materials issues (TPS and hot structures) for HTV-2 and HTV-3
  - HTV-1 is assumed to utilize state-of-the-art materials
  - In the initial phases of the MIPT, only Airframe technology is considered. Propulsion hot structures will be considered at a later date as required/requested.

#### >MIPT objectives

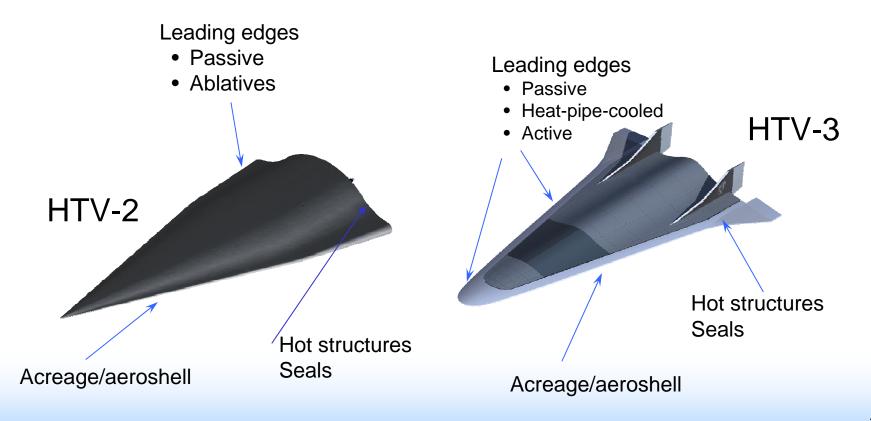
- Evaluate relevancy of ongoing government funded materials/design efforts to HTV-1, HTV-2, HTV-3, ECAV-OS, and HCV-OS needs.
- Work with the FALCON prime to develop a materials plan that integrates MIPT efforts with contractor efforts
- Recommend supplemental and new start efforts to fill technology gaps



### Critical Airframe Components TPS/Hot Structures



#### Enhanced CAV (OS) Hypersonic Cruise Vehicle (OS)





### **>3000°F Carbon/Carbon**Oxidation Protection

- C-CAT
- Pratt & Whitney
- **≻**3600°F Refractory Composites
  - Physical Sciences, Inc. (PSI)
  - Composite Innovations, Inc. (CIC)
  - ATK

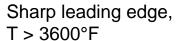


Refractory Composites, (RCI)

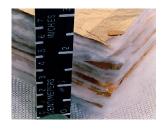
# MIPT FY04 Activitie Contracted Through UDRI FALCON



X-37 C/C control surface







German multi-layer insulation

FEA of TPS attachment



Seals after use at 1900°F



### FALCON... Enabling future hypersonic technologies



- Unprecedented hypersonic technology validation in flight
- Building block approach maximizes payoff while minimizing technology risks
- >TPS is the key technology

Newly Established STRATCOM October, 2002
Unified Command - Given Global Strike Mission:
"Establish and provide full-spectrum global strike... to meet both deterrent and decisive national security objectives"
"The capability to plan for and deliver rapid, limited-duration, extended-range precision kinetic and non-kinetic effects"

FALCON will demonstrate technologies required for tomorrow's global reach missions!

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